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In re application of:

Howard G. SACHS

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Examiner: Brandon Bowers

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Response to Restriction Requirement

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 10, 2004, counsel for Assignee elects to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 33-43) without traverse.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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